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SUSPECT SHOT BY POLICE

A 33-year-old male was shot by a Milwaukee Police Officer on Saturday, July 23, 2005, after a large-scale fight erupted inside a ballroom at the Ramada Inn at 6401 S. 13th Street in Milwaukee. The suspect's injuries were not believed to be life threatening.

Hotel security personnel called Milwaukee Police to the Ramada Inn at 9:39 p.m. Saturday and reported a large fight in the ballroom in which some of the participants were armed. A Milwaukee Police Officer responded to the scene and when met by hotel security outside the front entrance to the hotel, was informed that the occupants of a nearby vehicle had participated in the fight and were armed.

When the Officer approached the vehicle to question the occupants, the driver accelerated toward the officer and refused to stop when ordered by the Officer. Fearing for his life, the Officer discharged his weapon, striking one suspect in the vehicle. The suspect was in stable condition early Sunday morning at a local hospital.

No one else was injured in the incident. There were about 100 people in the ballroom when the fight erupted. Early Sunday, Milwaukee Police were questioning several people regarding their involvement.

The Milwaukee Police Officer involved in the shooting incident is a 37-year-old male with 11 years of service. The officer was in uniform and is assigned to District 2.

The incident is under investigation by the Milwaukee Police Department and the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office. As is standard operating procedure, the Officer was placed on administrative duty pending the completion of the investigation.

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